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TO: ALL COUNTY CALIFORNIA CHILDREN'S SERVICES (CCS)

ADMINISTRATORS, MEDICAL CONSULTANTS, AND STATE CHILDREN'S MEDICAL SERVICES (CMS) BRANCH STAFF

SUBJECT: CORRECTED NUMBERED LETTER (N.L.) 06-1004; CHANGES IN

CALIFORNIA CHILDREN'S SERVICES (CCS) DENTAL AND ORTHODONTIC SERVICE AUTHORIZATIONS AND CLAIMS

**PROCESSING** 

This is to provide you with a corrected copy of N.L. 06-1004 regarding CCS program policies for authorizing and claiming dental and orthodontic services in the enhanced Children's Medical Services Network (CMS Net) system.

We are replacing the October 22, 2004 N.L. because of specific areas of concern that local CCS programs have raised during the CMS Net conference calls. This replacement letter does not include the original enclosures as they are still valid and are to be used in conjunction with the corrected letter. The substantial changes to the N.L. are as follows:

- The Branch has rescinded the two year authorization for Orthodontic treatment.
- Section III. A. 3., pages 6 and 7, "Orthodontic Services" has been further clarified including d., i)., which now clearly indicates that Denti-Cal must provide authorization through the Treatment Authorization Request (TAR) process for the submission and payment of study models, and i., which provides detailed information on the finding of an "automatic qualifying condition".
- Section III. A. 4. a., page 11, "Services Beyond The Scope of Denti-Cal Benefits
  For Clients Who Are Not Eligible For Medi-Cal" (previously titled "CCS
  Supplemental Services for Services Beyond The Scope of Denti-Cal Benefits [for
  clients who are not eligible for Medi-Cal]) has been changed to delete references
  to CCS Supplemental Service (SS).

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 Section III. A. 4.b., page 11, "Dental Implants/Most Fixed Bridges/Other Dental Services:" has been changed to delete reference to CCS Supplemental Service (SS).

In addition, some minor clarifications have also been made. If you have any questions regarding the corrections made to N.L. 06-1004 please contact your CMS Branch Regional Office administrative consultant.

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